

## DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

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DMH INFORMATION NOTICE NO.: 97-18

TO: LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS  
LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM CHIEFS  
LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATORS  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS  
CHAIRPERSONS, LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH BOARDS

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT (NVRA) OF 1993

REFERENCE: National Voter Registration Act 42, United States Code Section 1973gg


EXPIRES: Retain Until Superseded

The purpose of this information notice is to comply with the stipulated court order dated July 22, 1996, of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California in the matter of Voting Rights Coalition, et al. vs. Pete Wilson, et al. (Case Nos. C-94-20860 JW and 95-20042 JW). This order reflects the parties' stipulation to amend the court's orders of January 5, 1996, and May 31, 1996, with respect to the implementation of the NVRA in California and the results of such implementation. Enclosed you will find the **third** survey form. Each county should send a copy of the survey to **all** contract providers of mental health services for their county. The survey will provide the Department with information regarding compliance efforts, which will then be forwarded to the court.

Please ask each contract provider to complete the form and return it to the county. Each county must forward the surveys along with the number of contractors it was sent to and the number responding to:

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Technical Assistance and Training  
1600 Ninth Street, Room 120  
Sacramento, California 95814  
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Should the county or contract provider have any questions or need further assistance, they may contact Ms. Antel-Berenson at (916) 654-0543. Please have each contract provider complete the survey and return to the Department no later than **November 20, 1997**.

  
GARY M. PETTIGREW  
Deputy Director  
Systems of Care

Enclosure

cc: California Mental Health Planning Council  
Chief, Technical Assistance and Training

**NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT (NVRA) OF 1993**

**COUNTY/PROVIDER SURVEY OF IMPLEMENTATION**

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Provider: \_\_\_\_\_

Provider No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX No: \_\_\_\_\_

1. How many persons have been offered the opportunity to register to vote since the last survey?
  
2. Have you issued any new or additional instructions and procedures for staff, in addition to the DMH Information Notices ? If so, please attach a copy to this survey.
  
3. Have the requirements of the NVRA been communicated to all program staff and how will these requirements be communicated to new employees?
  
4. Where are the completed forms (declination forms or completed registration form copies) filed?
  
5. What is your schedule for batching and forwarding applications to your county registrar of voters?

Certified by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Title Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed name